



PROVIDING COMPLETE BIRTH
CERTIFICATE INFORMATION

FOR PUBLIC HEALTH USE

% Missing (Incomplete/Unknown/Withheld) Values for Selected CA Birth Cert Items

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	NCHS Standard*
Mother Hispanic (Unknown/Withheld)	1.4%	1.6%	1.8%	1.8%	1.8%	2.3%	1.0%
Mother's Race (Unknown/Withheld)	1.5%	1.6%	1.9%	1.9%	1.8%	2.4%	1.0%
Mother's Education (Unknown/Withheld)	3.4%	3.2%	3.6%	3.5%	3.5%	4.2%	1.0%
Date LMP Began (Incomplete/Unknown)	10.5%	9.3%	7.9%	7.0%	5.4%	4.8%	12.7%
Date First Prenatal Visit (Incomplete/Unknown)	26.8%	21.9%	16.9%	14.3%	11.4%	10.4%	7.4%
Month Prenatal Care Began (Unknown)	2.1%	2.1%	1.9%	2.1%	2.1%	2.2%	N.A.
Date Last Prenatal Visit (Incomplete/Unknown)	9.6%	6.7%	5.1%	4.7%	3.7%	3.5%	6.3%
Number of Prenatal Care Visits (Unknown)	2.5%	3.3%	2.7%	2.7%	2.4%	2.4%	4.0%
Fetal Presentation (Unknown)	10.3%	8.9%	7.8%	7.2%	5.5%	4.6%	1.0%
Mother's Prepregnancy Weight (Unknown)	10.0%	8.9%	6.4%	5.3%	4.8%	4.6%	2.4%
Mother's Weight At Delivery (Unknown)	7.8%	6.6%	4.4%	3.3%	3.0%	2.6%	4.2%
Mother's Height (Unknown)	7.2%	6.2%	3.9%	2.6%	2.1%	1.7%	1.9%
Cigarettes Smoked First Trimester (Unknown)	2.2%	1.9%	1.7%	0.9%	0.9%	0.9%	1.0%
5 Minute APGAR Score (Unknown)	3.1%	2.2%	1.4%	0.7%	0.5%	0.6%	1.0%
* NCHS Standard is 1.5 x the median reported by the states for 2010 and above 1.0%.							



USING AVSS TO GENERATE #UNKNOWN REPORTS

SYSTEM OPTION > **REPORT GENERATOR**

REPORT GENERATOR OPTION > **GENERATE REPORT**

REP. REPORT > **#UNKNOWN** = UNKNOWN TABLES FOR 2007+ VARIABLES

ENTER BEGINNING VALUE FOR DATE OF BIRTH <**1/1/2013**> (1/1/2013)

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RUN THIS REPORT IN THE BACKGROUND <N>

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Birth Data Quality Resources on the Web

- www.avss.org
The University of California Santa Barbara AVSS website contains several manuals including the “AVSS Quick Reference Manual” and “Report Generator Manual”.
- <http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/dvs/GuidetoCompleteFacilityWks.pdf>
The National Center for Health Statistics website contains a “Guide to Completing the Certificate of Live Birth and Report of Fetal Death”.

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